Merging of TOMCO with HILL

477. MISS SAROJ KHAPARDE : Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether it is a fact that the Tata Oil Mills Company Ltd. has merged with Hindustan Lever Limited recently; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) and (b) An amalgamation requires approval of the Court under Sections 391|394 of the Companies Act, 1956 and the Court is required to give notice of such applications to the Central Government for making representation, if any, under section 394-A of the Act. No such notice has been served on the Central Government by the Court.

National Academy to train Judges

478. SHRI K. K. VEERAPPAN :

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government have taken any decision to set up a National Academy to train judges; and

(b) what steps have been taken to set up the academy ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) In pursuance of a decision taken by the Government, an Ad-hoc Committee has been constituted under the Chief Justice of India to work out certain details such as the location of the Academy, its faculty, courses to be adopted and mode of financing, etc.

Implementation of Report of the Arrears Committee

479. SHRI T. A. MOHAMMED SAQHY :

SHRI V. GOPALSAMY :

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state :

(a) what action Government have initiated on the report of the Arrears Committee headed by the former Chief Justice of Kerala High Court Shri Malimath so far;

(b) the details of recommendations implemented and also stage in which they are in at present;

(c) the details of those recommendations yet to be considered and also the specific reasons therefor;

(d) what steps would be taken for early implementation of these recommendations; and

(e) what other steps are being taken to reduce pendency in the High Courts and the Supreme Court of India ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF LAW, JUSTICE AND COMPANY AFFAIRS (SHRI H. R. BHARDWAJ) : (a) to (d) The recommendations made by the Arrears Committee covering various aspects, have been commended to all the concerned Central Ministries, State Governments and High Courts for necessary follow-up action. Some of the recommendations